

Senate Bill 652

By: Senator Thompson of the 33rd

AS PASSED

AN ACT

To amend an Act reincorporating and providing a new charter for the City of Austell in Cobb and Douglas counties, approved March 28, 1986 (Ga. L. 1986, p. 4902), as amended, so as to revise the districts for the election of members of the city council; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for manner of election; to provide for submission of this Act for preclearance pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

An Act reincorporating and providing a new charter for the City of Austell in Cobb and Douglas counties, approved March 28, 1986 (Ga. L. 1986, p. 4902), as amended, is amended by striking subsection (a) of Section 5.15 and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (a) to read as follows:

"(a)(1) For the purpose of electing the members of the city council, the City of Austell is hereby divided into four wards which shall be and correspond to those four numbered districts described in and attached to the Redistricting Plan Components Report made a part of this Act and further identified as Plan Name: ausccp1 Plan Type: Local User: Gina Administrator: Austell.

(2) When used in such attachment, the terms 'Tract' and 'BG' (Block Group) shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a Tract description which are underneath a 'BG' heading shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a Block Group as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. Any part of the City of Austell which is not included in any such district described in that attachment shall be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial

census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. Any part of the City of Austell which is described in that attachment as being in a particular district shall nevertheless not be included within such district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part shall instead be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. Except as otherwise provided in the description of any district, whenever the description of such district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical boundaries of that city as shown on the census map for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia.

(3) Wards 1, 2, 3, and 4 as they existed on January 1, 2006, shall continue to be designated as Wards 1, 2, 3, and 4, respectively, but as newly described under this subsection, and, on and after the effective date of this subsection, such members of the board serving from those former districts shall be deemed to be serving from and representing their respective districts as newly described under this section."

SECTION 2.

The governing authority of the City of Austell shall through its legal counsel cause this Act to be submitted for preclearance under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, no later than 30 days after the date on which this Act is approved by the Governor or otherwise becomes law without such approval.

SECTION 3.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Plan Name: ausccp1 Plan Type: Local User: Gina Administrator: Austell

Redistricting Plan Components Report

District 001

Cobb County

Tract: 313.09

BG: 1

1023

Tract: 314.07

BG: 3

3035 3039 3040 3041 3042 3043

BG: 4

4010 4011 4012 4013 4014 4015 4016 4017 4018 4019 4020 4021

4022 4023 4024 4025 4026 4028 4032 4033 4034 4035

BG: 5

5000 5022 5023 5024 5025 5026 5027 5028 5029 5030 5031 5032

5033 5034 5035 5036 5037 5038 5039 5040 5041 5042 5043 5044

5045 5046 5047 5048

Douglas County

Tract: 801.01

BG: 1

1000 1008 1009 1033 1034 1035 1038 1039 1040

BG: 2

2000

District 002

Cobb County

Tract: 313.06

BG: 2

2023 2024 2027 2028 2030 2031 2032 2047 2049 2050 2051 2052

2053

Tract: 313.09

BG: 1

1001 1002 1003 1004 1005 1006 1007 1008

Tract: 314.04

BG: 1

1012 1013

BG: 3

3012 3013 3017 3018 3019 3020 3023 3024

BG: 4

4005 4006 4011 4012 4013 4014 4015 4016 4018 4019 4021 4022

4023 4024 4027

Tract: 314.07

BG: 3

3000 3001 3002

BG: 4

4000 4001 4002 4003 4004 4029

District 003

Cobb County

Tract: 314.07

BG: 2

2026 2028 2031 2032 2034 2035 2036 2037 2038 2039 2040 2041

2042 2043

BG: 3

3006 3007 3008 3009 3013 3016 3017 3018 3019 3020 3021 3022

3023 3024 3025 3026 3027 3028 3029 3030 3031 3032 3033 3034

3036 3037 3038

District 004

Cobb County

Tract: 314.07

BG: 2

2012 2014 2015 2016 2017 2030 2044 2045 2046

BG: 5

5001 5002 5003 5004 5007 5009 5010 5011 5012 5013 5014 5015

5016 5017 5049 5050 5051

BG: 6

6002 6003 6004 6005 6006 6010 6023 6025 6026 6028 6029 6030

6031 6034 6039 6041 6042 6043 6044 6045 6046 6047 6048

Tract: 315.01

BG: 7

7016 7018